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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Timothy H. Bestor  
Serial No.: 09/051,013                      Group Art Unit: 1652  
Filed : October 9, 1998                      Examiner: David J. Steadman  
For : CHIMERIC DNA-BINDING/DNA METHYLTRANSFERASE  
NUCLEIC ACID AND POLYPEPTIDE AND USES THEREOF

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March 5, 2003

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 5, 2002 OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is filed in response to the November 5, 2002 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the November 5, 2002 Office Action was originally due on February 5, 2003. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time from February 5, 2003 to March 5, 2003 for filing a response. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is \$55.00, and a check for this amount is enclosed. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please make the following amendments to the above-identified application:

**In the claims**

Please cancel claim 29, without prejudice to applicant's right to pursue the subject matter thereof in a continuing application.

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